



This series of Research Group Fact sheets shows ongoing research projects related to INCLUDE, the Knowledge Platform on Inclusive Development Policies

## Feeder road development for inclusive productive employment

Improving feeder roads (i.e. small roads that connect rural areas with main roads and urban centres) can contribute to inclusive economic growth by generating new low-skilled jobs and providing access to further employment opportunities. However, road construction has large multi-dimensional impacts that are usually overlooked. The project 'Feeder Road Development for Inclusive Productive Employment' aims at investigating the specific ways in which road construction promotes productive employment by looking at who is employed and under what conditions along three main directions: direct employment in infrastructure development; employment generation/change due to improved access; and employment change due to different natural resource management.

Main question	What are the impacts of feeder road development on inclusive growth and productive employment?
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Country focus	• Ethiopia
Planned activities	<ul> <li>Reconnaissance research in three economic different areas within Tigray Regional State</li> <li>Case-studies in these three areas to document and quantify changes in productive employment along the main three themes</li> </ul>

Engagement of a Learning Group (consisting of main stakeholders and decision-makers) and publication of